

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A battery saving method of controlling the display of a portable telephone is disclosed. The method comprises checking whether a user inputs a SEND key for a
5 call origination to establish a call or an answering key in response to an incoming call; turning off the power supplied to the display when a call is set up according to the SEND key or the answering key; and, turning on the power supplied to the display when the call is terminated. Further, the display is turned off after a predetermined period of time has elapsed after the SEND key or the answering key is activated.

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